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) Group Art Unit: 2123
Application No.: 10/087,210)
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For: A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)
MODELING COIL SPRINGS USING A)
FORCE FIELD GENERATOR)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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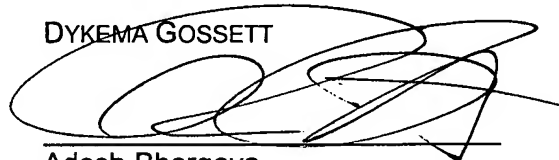
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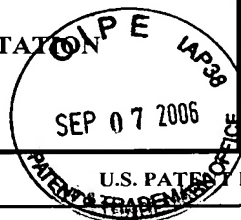
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